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**From:** Ajayi, Olafimihan [Olafimihan.Ajayi@illinois.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/21/2020 10:22:16 PM  
**To:** Niess, Claudia [niess.claudia@epa.gov]; Moss, Suzanne [suzanne.moss@illinois.gov]  
**CC:** Kirkland, Lisa [Lisa.Kirkland@illinois.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Pesticide Application Tip/Complaint, Rockton, IL

This complaint has been referred to our Rockford regional office inspector for follow-up. I have contacted the complainant through email for more information and our regional inspector stated she spoke to her last week.

Thanks, Ola

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**From:** Niess, Claudia <niess.claudia@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 21, 2020 3:33 PM  
**To:** Moss, Suzanne <Suzanne.Moss@Illinois.gov>; Ajayi, Olafimihan <Olafimihan.Ajayi@illinois.gov>  
**Subject:** [External] Pesticide Application Tip/Complaint, Rockton, IL

Hi Suzanne and Ola:

EPA has received a tip/complaint regarding an indoor pesticide application made to a residence in Rockton, Illinois. We are forwarding this information to you for potential follow-up under Illinois's primary enforcement authority under Section 26 of FIFRA. The complaint information is provided below:

Complainant: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Complaint Date: 2/11/20

Address in Complaint: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Details of Complaint: "Right to know Act violation When I insisted upon knowing the pesticide that would be used In my apartment unit, the technician denied my request. He told me that because I was not footing the bill that I was not allowed to know what the chemicals were at all. I explained to him that I was very concerned because I have a serious heart condition, physical disability and multiple chemical sensitivities. I was denied again. The technician put liquid spray and "dust" on my furniture and carpeting which made me feel very sick. The dust is still visible. The manager of the building and technician also instructed to use rubbing alcohol and spray bed bugs and other contaminated property until the insects looked dead as well. I have a right to know what these chemicals are. Please help me."

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Claudia Niess  
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